



25th Anniversary

Minutes and Memories

25 years

of

C.A.R.S. History

July 20, 1996

PREFACE

The Charleston Amateur Radio Society's Twenty Fifth Anniversary of its founding is this year.

On March 3 of 1971 Thirteen local "hams" met at the Perkins Pancake House on highway 17 to establish a repeater for the Charleston area. During this and several following meetings major decisions were made. The repeater license was applied for, and the club's by-laws were formulated. Based upon the repeater location, the "Holiday V.H.F. Society" was formed. The name was later changed to the "Charleston Amateur Radio Society Inc." and was registered with the state of South Carolina.

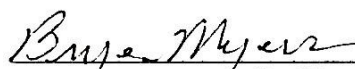
This book contains a more detailed history of the club for the past twenty five years. The history is based upon the original meeting minutes and the memory of many. It is the results of the history committee and others.

June 1996

Earl Johnson
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Acknowledgments

Thanks to the Historian Committee and others who contributed their time and/or pictures for this endeavor.



Bryce Myers - K4LXF
President

Historian Committee

Jenny Myers - WA4NGV
Vic Boudolf - WA4JBG
Mike Wells - WA4HVP
Sonja Penland - WA4WVD

Glenn Little - WB4UIV
John Langley - K4CSB
Becky Langley



**DEDICATION
IN MEMORY
HERBERT BRANHAM (HERB) WA4ICB 1922-1983**

**HERB WAS ACTIVE IN HAM RADIO AND VERY
INSTRUMENTAL IN THE FORMATION OF THE
"HOLIDAY V,H,F, SOCIETY". HE WAS A CHARTER
MEMBER AND FIRST PRESIDENT.**

Club Charter Members

1. Herb Branham	WA4ICB	Silent Key
2. Joe Flint	K4ZAW	Silent Key
3. Paul Gelegotis	N4EJS	(was WA4NJV)
4. Don Schulster	W4LSC	(was WB4IWA)
5. Bob Picper	WA4TEE	
6. Cliff Semken	K4OKD	Silent Key
7. Larry Butler	KN4IM	(was WB4THE)
8. J.T. Green	K4ILT	
9. John Pennington	WA4WOM	
10. Ray Thomas	WA4OMM	
11. Ed Howell	W4SOD	
12. John Warner	W4MC	Silent Key
13. Glen Clute	WB4GPS	Silent Key
14. Blaine (Bubba) Johnson	N4CII	(was WA4TAA)
15. Roman Downer	N4SC	(was K4ACP)
16. A.T. (Buck) Amos	WA4TUN	Silent Key
17. B.G. (Bud) Gotshall	WB4LTF	
18. Edward J. (Ed) Dillon	KAOAYO	Silent Key
19. Bobby E. Pennington	W4XO	(was W4YOH)
20. William (Bill) Clay	KB7IA	(was KZ4OP)
21. Thurman H.(Hoagy)Carmichael Jr	WA4MCI	
22. Ronald L. (Ron) Camp	WB4URP	

Selections From The Club's Minutes

NOTE: The following selections are from the minutes of our meetings.
Corrections to grammar were avoided to maintain accuracy.

1971 - 1972

President	Herb Branham	WA4ICB
Sec./Tres	Buck Amos	WA4TUN

3 March 1971 - First meeting held at Perkin's Pancake house. Decided at first meeting to purchase repeater which was ordered next day Thursday, 4 March 1971. Name and call of members in attendance at kick-off meeting: Herbert Branham WA4ICB, Joe Flint W4ZAW, Paul Gelegotis N4EJS (was WA4NJV), John Warner W4MC, Don Schulster W4LSC(was WB4IWA), J. T. Greene K4ILT, Glen Clute WB4GPS, John Pennington WA4WOM, Larry Bulter KN4IM(was WB4THE), Bob Pieper WA4TEE, Ray Thomas WA4OMM, Cliff Semken K4OMD, Ed Craig K1NUD

12 March 1971 - (Friday) Second meeting at home of Joe Flint. Attending Members: Herbert Branham, J. T. Greene, Joe Flint, John Pennington, Paul Gelegotis, Ray Thomas, Don Schulster, Ed Craig, Bob Pieper, Ed Howell, Cliff Semken, Larry Butler, Lynn Hunning, Jeanie Hunning. Discussed possible repeater location. Decided to apply for license (temporary) under my call at my location - WA4ICB. License applied for next day Sat., 13 March 1971 by Don W4LS(was WB4IWA).

11 June 1971 - Meeting at Joe Flint's. Members Present were: Joe Flint, Bobby Pennington, Herb Branham, John Pennington, Paul Gelegotis, Don Schulster, Cliff Semken, Ray Thomas, Glen Clute, Bob Pieper, Ed Howell, Buck Amos, Carl Commander - Visitor. After several suggestions and much discussion the name for the club was finally decided to be Holiday V. H. F. Society. Herbert Branham - WA4ICB was elected President and Buck Amos, Secretary/Treasurer. Publicity Director- Joe Flint, Rules and By Laws-Glen Clute and Joe Flint, J. T. Greene and Don Schulster Club Engineers. It was decided the initiation fee will be \$20.00 each, and each family will be considered as only one membership. It will be determined at a later meeting what the annual, quarterly, or monthly dues will be. The secretary was instructed to write the FCC for club license application blanks. The Publicity director will check with insurance companies for rates for insurance. The Secretary's address will be used for correspondence. The Secretary was instructed to try to obtain special call letters for the society for logging purposes; standard time will be used. The Society has 2 Mosley Ground Planes, Ray Thomas and John Pennington asked to buy them at cost plus tax. The Society officers are limited to spend \$25.00 without approval. A checking account was set up and to acquire two signatures on each check, The President and the Secretary to sign.

23 July 1971 - Business By Laws for Society and Application for Club Station License. Phelps Dodge Antenna installed 2 January 1972. (Three element beam removed) Sinclair Duplexer received and installed this week.

7 January 1972 - Paul and Joe looking for location for Hamfest. Tentative date 24 March

21 January 1972 - Hamfest weekend of March 19. Bud elected chairman. Admission \$2.

1 July 1972 - Bob Pieper elected President, Secretary reelected by acclamation.

1972 - 1973

President	Bob Pieper	WA4TEE
Sec./Tres	Buck Amos	WA4TUN

26 August 1972 - Voted dues to be \$2.00 per month. Buggy to get parts necessary to install 450 repeater. Spend up to \$200.00. Talked about autopatch. Members and immediate family are to be sent flowers in case of death. Bill Clay and Earl Crawford - Honorary members.

25 October 1972 - Ron Camp Hamfest II Coordinator Hamfest 18 March 1973

13 December 1972 - Voted to buy 2 GE PL Complete with DC Supply \$50.00 from WCB, 2 AC Supply (?) Kits \$41.00 from JCB.

24 January 1973 - Buggy and Don = 450 link is in and hard line cable installed.

9 February 1973 - Meeting Postponed because of weather, rain, sleet and cold temp. 33 degrees at 1700.

29 June 1973 - Cliff K4OKD elected Pres. Buck WA4TUN sec/treasurer motion made to lower dues to \$1.00 per month effective August. 1st 1973

1973 - 1974

President	Cliff Semken	K4OKD
Vice President	Bryce Myers	K4LXF
Sec./Tres	Buck Amos	WA4TUN

12 September 1973 - Cliff K4OKD asked that dues go back to \$2.00 per month as originally, but did not receive any support. The club voted to obtain a new repeater.

17 September 1973 - Letter sent to State Highway Department regarding possibility of the Club acquiring the tower or the use of the tower at Pinchaven Shopping Center.

26 October 1973 - Club voted to join the North Carolina repeater Association

28 November 1973 - received letter from Highway Dept. saying the old tower and building would be sold to highest bidder. After some discussion the question arose as to weather the club submit a bid of \$1.00 for the old patrolman radio facilities. Motion made to buy (voted against). Motion made that club continue to sponsor the Hamfest annually at Charleston around the third week end of March each year.(Carried) Buck WA4TUN will resign as Secretary-Treasurer upon his move to North Carolina. Fred WB4EZI was nominated and elected to take over when Buck moves.

9 January 1974 - Club voted to have a Vice President. Bryce K4LXF voted in as the clubs first V.P. Also voted to have club membership cards.

13 March 1974 - Club voted to have transmitter hunt. Incorporation was discussed (no Action). Motion made to raise dues to \$2.00 a month or \$20.00 a year. (Carried) effective August 1, 1974. Motion made to purchase 450 mhz repeater (voted against)

10 April 1974 - motion made to form an executive committee (Carried) composed of the Pres. V. P., Sec-Treasurer, Custodian and Engineers.

8 May 1974 - incorporation was discussed, next meeting will be a special meeting to discuss incorporation WA4TUL/Henry made motion that we check with new H.F. Club for possible merger 2nd by Herb/WA4ICB. (carried) Whitey K4PQJ to investigate.

19 June 1974 - Tom Morrison (ATTY) gave briefing on incorporation. Motion made by Glen Clute and 2nded by Mike McCormick to incorporate (Carried) Transmitter Hunt 14 July. Members bring covered dish.

1974 - 1975

President	Bryce Myers	K4LXF
Vice President	Ron Camp	WB4URP
Sec./Tres	Glen Clute	WB4GPS

11 September. 1974 - Motion made and carried to purchase three motorola strips.(Xmit, Rev, and PS) for \$75.00. Dutch treat picnic at Givhans State Park. K4PQJ was designated to investigate Hamfest possibilities and possible tie in with Trident Amateur Radio Club.

9 October 1974 - Minutes accepted with a correction to show that K4OKD, K4PQJ, WB4URP, WA4HVP, and WA4OEI had been designated as a Hamfest Committee to investigate possibility of Hamfest with Trident Radio club. Hamfest Committee reported a Hamfest would not be possible in March and the 12 & 13 of July was being considered pending availability of site. Motion made by WA4ICB and seconded by WB4EZI to vote on whether to discontinue with the Hamfest plans. Vote would be taken at next meeting.

13 November 1974 - Motion made by K4LXF and seconded by K4KAE to combine with the Trident Club on Hamfest 12 & 13 July 1975 (Carried)

8 January 1975 - Voted to sponsor restoration of radio room on Yorktown with Amateur Station (Low Band) and a repeater to be installed.

19 February 1975 - Hamfest to be held at Charles Towne Landing 12-13 July 1975. Herb/ WA4ICB & Bob(WB4EZJ) committee for Hospitality Room.

12 March 1975 - President announced that a joint meeting of CARS & TARC would be held on 17 April 75 at the Mars Station, Charleston AFB.

1975 - 1976

President	Herb Branham	WA4ICB
Vice President	Mike Wells	WA4HVP
Sec./Tres	Glen Clute	WB4GPS

13 August 75 - Hamfest made \$392.70 split between the two Clubs \$196.35 each.

10 September 75 - Club voted to authorize \$900.00 for 16/76 repeater

23 October 75 - Voted to have Hamfest at Charles Towne Landing one day 11 July 1976

10 December 1975 - Auto Patch ordered for 76 repeater



Cliff, Bryce, Bob

14 January 1976 - WA4USN requested for Club call, W4XO(W4YOH)Custodian

11 February 1976 - The president opened a discussion on requirements for weekend operators at WA4USN, QSL cards and work required on radio central. A meeting is to be set up with Patriots Point Authority to clear up some details regarding shipboard operations. A motion was made by WA4HVP second by WA4JBG to have a net on 34/94 motion carried. WA4JBG showed slides taken at the 1975 hamfest.

11 March 1976 - W4ZRH advised members of progress of special event operation at Columbia during the week of 10-16 May. W4ZRH made motion, seconded by WA4DAX that the Society affiliate with AMSAT. Motion carried. WA4STG made motion seconded by WA4DAX that the Society affiliate with ARRL. Motion carried. K4GQG reported on Thursday night net. WA4DAX, K4GQG and K4LXF reported on Hamfest Progress.

8 April 1976 - This was a joint meeting with the Tri Dent Radio Club. New members were voted in. (no other information given)

12 May 1976 - WA4JBG reported on code class for YL's. WA4ICB reported on weekend activities to be conducted in Columbia, 15 and 16 May. Motion was made by WB5IAE,seconded by WB4LET to provide members with name tags. Motion defeated 10 to 4. WA4NMG and WA4WNI invited members to participate at the Amateur Radio display at Charlestown Square this weekend

9 June 1976 - WA4NGV requested help from the wives present in preparation of food for the Hospitality room. WA4CSO advised of plans for the Hampton - Varnville Watermelon Festival on 26 June and invited all to attend. WA4STG, K4GQG, and WB4QGT reviewed Hamfest plans and events. A motion was made by WB4QJT and seconded by WB4GPS to hold possible profits from the Hamfest for next years Hamfest. After a discussion motion was withdrawn. The president opened the floor for nominations for officers to be elected at the July meeting. Nomination for president were WB4LET, W4XO(W4YOH)and WB4URP. Nominations for Vice President were WB4GPS, and WB4RXH. nomination for Sec./Tres . were WB4QGT, WB4URP, WA4NGV.

14 July 1976 - K4ILT custodian of the 16/76 machine announced that the call WR4SAP had been received. The 1977 Hamfest again be held at the city auditorium.

1976 - 1977

President	Bob Pennington	W4XO (was W4YOH)
Vice President	Glen Clute	WB4GPS
Sec./Tres	Ron Camp	WB4URP

11 August 1976 - WA4ICB advised that K4ILT had returned the Autopatch to vender for repair.

8 September 1976 - Executive Board report as follows: 1. Hamfest Committee - Sparky(K4GQG) was to stay on the Hamfest Committee, Pogo(WB4RPI) and Dave(WA4STG) was to serve with him. 2. By-Laws committee was formed consisting of Ron(WB4URP), Bob(WB4EJZ), Herb(WA4ICB), Bryce(K4LXF) and Glen(WB4GPS). 3. TVI committee was proposed to include Butch(WA4JBG) and others. 4. Entertainment committee - Pogo(WB4RPI), Sarge(WB4RPJ), Bryce(K4LXF) and Herb)WA4ICB). 5. Technical advisors were to remain the same. K4GQG reported that aprox. \$400.00 was left in the Hamfest funds over and above the \$500.00 belonging to each club.



Herb improves tower ground connection.

12 January 1977 - 450 repeater to be taken to repeater room on Yorktown

1 February 1977 - At 10 p.m. on air meeting was called. Purpose of meeting was to get approval for advance funds for radio for Glen Clute/WB4GPS who was in the Hospital in Maryland .(motion carried).

11 March 1977 - Kimbell/ WB4QJT of the Hamfest Committee reported that two drawings would be held. (One a CB set & one a ham prize). An informal discussion followed and a show of hands indicated opposition to the CB drawing.

4 April 1977 - Gov. Edwards proclaimed May 22-28 as Amateur Radio Week. CB Radio for drawing scrapped. Motion Each member bring one prize for Hamfest worth \$5.00 or less. Motion carried (Louise voted 2 handed.)

9 June 1977 - By Laws passed and mailed to those not present at meeting. A card was enclosed to be completed & returned for approval or disapproval.

15 July 1977 - Report on the 25-85 repeater Site in Summerville being sought. The donor of the repeater advised that if the Club would wait a little while he would be able to give us a better repeater. SPARKY/ K4GQG & Kimbell/WB4QJT made Hamfest Report. Approx. \$800.00 was made over the \$500.00 borrowed from each Club. Approx 700 - 800 people attended. It was suggested that the Auditorium be rented for two days next year. Hospitality room was a success but larger room was needed. \$432.50 spent on refreshments also hosp. room be at Auditorium next year. The new By Laws were passed and provision was made for a separate Secretary-Treasurer. Motion made & carried that prospective members show their licenses to the Secretary or president.

1977 - 1978

President	Ron Camp	WB4URP
Vice President	J.T. Green	K4ILT
Secretary	Herb Branham	WA4ICB
Treasurer	Louise Branham	WB4TBJ

12 August 1977 - Bryce/ K4LXF wants to limit membership. It was decided that the President appoint a Committee to study this action it was decided that no new applications be accepted until such time that the Committee give a report and recommend a motion in this regard. Bob/ W4XO wants to change the Delinquency date in regards to membership Dues. He also supports a study for the purpose of changing the name of our club. A possible name to consider would be the Charleston Amateur Radio Society. Both suggestions were turned over to the By Laws Committee for study and recommendations. A discussion was had on the illegal use of the 16/76 repeater by television Station WCIV channel 4 during the recent visit to the city by President Carter.

9 September 1977 - Bryce/ K4LXF gave report on By Laws Committee meeting. Some of the changes recommended were. 1. The Committee recommended changing name of the Club to The Charleston Amateur Radio Club, Inc. After a long discussion a vote was called for and carried by a show of hands 18 yes & 1 no. 2. The Committee recommended limiting regular membership of the Club to 60. After a discussion a show of hands vote was called for, motion carried 20 yes & 1 no.

11 January 1978 - The Official date of the Charter change was 27 December, 1977 as recorded in the office of the Secretary of State. The official name of the Club. Charleston Amateur Radio Society, Inc.

9 February 1978 - First Meeting of the Charleston Amateur Radio Society, Inc. Bryce/ K4LXF said the 25/85 machine was now on the air at a temporary location in Bushy Park. Bob/WB4EZJ secured banner and set up a meeting to lay out printing on the banner.

8 March 1978 - The joint Hamfest Committee had decided to put a charge of \$3.00 per person to attend the Hospitality room. Also to hire professional bartenders. The club voted unanimously not to impose the charges.

12 April 1978 - The Club received a letter from (the Treasurer)(Herriot Kirby) of the joint Hamfest Committee requesting \$500.00 for financing the Hamfest. A motion was made to send the \$500.00 if the \$3.00 charge to get in the Hospitality room was dropped. Motion carried 22 to 1. A motion was made agreeing for the Hamfest Committee to have the sanction of this club if they desired to sell tickets on a door prize for the hospitality room

on a voluntary basis not mandatory.(Motion carried 24 in favor none against)

10 May 1978 - Sparky/K4GQG gave hamfest committee report agreeing to drop charges and only require entrance to Hamfest to get in Hospitality room.

1978 - 1979

President:	Fred Parker	WB4EZI
Vice President:	Roy Camp	WB4UBT
Sec./Tres:(resigned)	Bill Horton	WA4DDK
Sec./Tres:(appointed)	Bob Penland	WB4EZJ

13 September 1978 - \$500.00 returned to Club form Hamfest Committee.

11 October 1978 - Bill WA4DDK resigned as Sec-Tres. due to teaching job. Bob WBEZJ was appointed to fill his unexpired term. Correspondence from Trident Club severing relations with our Club insofar as having a joint Hamfest. The President of TARC was in attendance and indicated that TARC had no plans at this time to have a Hamfest. We voted to have a Hamfest. The correspondence from TARC indicated that the remainder of the 1978 Hamfest money was forthcoming to each club.

11 April 1979 - UHF repeater was installed on the Yorktown with input frequency of 449.1 MHZ and output of 444.1MHZ. If interested in DX get on 146.50 MHZ (FM)

1979 - 1980

President	Tom Davis	WB4EOC
Vice President	Nance Noc	WB4RXH
Secretary	Jenny Myers	WA4NGV
Treasurer	Bob Penland	WB4EZJ

10 October 1979 - Greg/K4YYO donated a auto patch for the 79 repeater. Also voted to buy a preamp for 79 repeater. Voted to buy a new antenna for the 79 repeater same as the one on the other repeater. By Laws amendments were mailed.

1980 - 1981

President	Tom Davis	WB4EOC
Vice President	Mike Shires	KD40BZ
Secretary	Windy Freeman	WB4IVE
Treasurer	Louise Branham	WB4TBJ



Bob supports repeater cabinet.

11 August 1980 - Voted to buy new auto patch for 76 repeater. Voted on Club jackets & shirts, the jackets burgundy with white logo and shirts green with white logo.

1981 - 1982

President	Glenn Little	WB4UIV
Vice President	James Waltz	WB4RPI
Secretary (resigned)	Windy Freeman	WB4IVE
Sec. (appointed/ not eligible)	Ray Thomas	WA4OMM
Secretary (appointed)	Jenny Myers	WA4NGV

Treasurer Carl Fulmer K4VVK
1982 - 1983

President John Colson WD4ESP
 Vice President Werner Dolder AA4IX (was WB4CXL)
 Secretary Jenny Myers WA4NGV
 Treasurer Russel Moon KB4QL (silent key)
 Treasurer(appointed) Tom Davis WD4EOC

10 November 1982 - Voted to have news letter to take place of cards as meeting notice.

22 March 1983 - Special meeting called to discuss new developments of the Club repeaters. Voted to buy a new G.E. Master II repeater and a preamp. Voted to leave 76 repeater on Yorktown and move the 79 repeater to Holiday Inn with auto patch from 76 repeater and put the new repeater at the old 79 site.

1983 - 1984

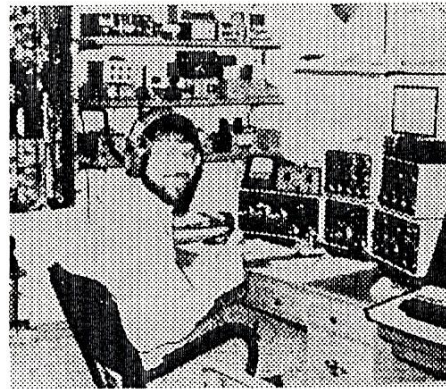
President John Colson WD4ESP
 Vice President Larry Butler KN4IM (was WB4THE)
 Secretary Jenny Myers WA4NGV
 Treasurer Tom Davis WB4EOC

12 October 1983 - New 145.25 repeater on air needs tune up.

14 October 1984 - Transmitter hunt.

1984 - 1985

President Charles Guerry WD4CWY
 Vice President Larry Butler KN4IM (was WB4THE)
 Secretary John Cordray N4BBE
 Treasurer Tom Davis WB4EOC



Roman hams it up!

1985 - 1986

President Jenny Myers WA4NGV
 Vice President Bryce Myers K4LXF
 Secretary John Colson WD4ESP
 Treasurer John Langley K4CSB



Vic makes contact

12 May 1986 - To have field day on Yorktown in June. First in many years. John(K4CSB) to chair, Bob Myers(KB4AKQ) to co-chair.

1986 - 1987

President Jenny Myers WA4NGV
 Vice President Bob Myers KB4AKQ
 Secretary John Colson WD4ESP
 Treasurer John Langley K4CSB

September 1986 - Bill Jones emergency coordinator for Charleston County will work with both clubs (CARS & TARC) Fred/WB4EZI & John/K4CSB appointed liaison for CARS to TARC. Frank KC4TZ liaison from TARC.

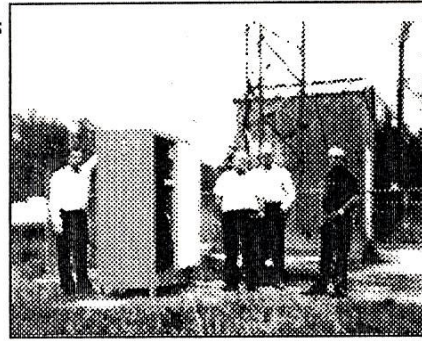
9 February 1987 - Voted to have joint picnic with TARC split expenses 50/50.

1987 - 1988

President	John Langley	K4CSB
Vice President	Bob Myers	KB4AKQ
Secretary	Nance Noe	WB4RXH
Treasurer	Wanda Teasley	KB4BSP

1988 - 1989

President	Bob Myers	KB4AKQ
Vice President	Bryce Myers	K4LXF
Secretary	Nance Noe	WB4RXH
Treasurer	Wanda Teasley	KB4BSP



145.25 repeater site

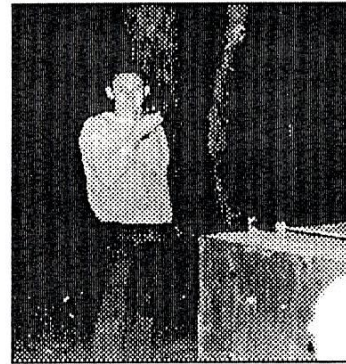
1988 - CARS & TARC have news letter together

1989 - 1990

President	Glenn Little	WB4UIV
Vice President	Bryce Myers	K4LXF
Secretary	Betty Myers	N4NMB
Treasurer	John Langley	K4CSB

1990 - 1991

President	Glenn Little	WB4UIV
Vice President	Bryce Myers	K4LXF
Secretary	David McDougal	N4SHT
Treasurer	John Langley	K4CSB



Pogo Chats and Cooks

13 May 1991 - Shed built for 76 repeater

8 June 1991 - 76 repeater moved back on Yorktown but not working. Chuck has his repeater on Summerville site 147.700.

1991 - 1992

President (resigned)	Larry Butler	KN4IM
President	Warren Gregory	W4ZYZ
Vice President (to pres)	Warren Gregory	W4ZYZ
Vice President (appoint)	John Langley	K4CSB
Secretary	Jenny Myers	WA4NGV
Treasurer	Ruby Gregory	KC4HVN

12 August 1991 - 147.70 and St. Matthews repeater linked. Warren to do newsletter.

11 November 1991 - Will have to put 76 repeater back on air within 6 months or lose it.

December 1991 - Club to help with Santa net. Club call put on repeater WA4USN.

13 July 1992 - New 146.79 repeater & controller in 1992 Gary doing news letter

1992 - 1993

President	John Langley	K4CSB
Vice President	Bryce Myers	K4LXF
Secretary	Jenny Myers	WA4NGV
Treasurer	Dan Lykins	KM4GT

9 November 1992 - Voted to have joint Christmas Party with TARC.

1992 - Lin/N4LS giving code on air Sunday nights. Warren/W4ZYZ gives code on Tuesday nights. Net on Tuesday night and XYL and YL net Wed. night.

11 January 1993 - Motion made and carried for club to join SERA motion made and carried to buy from Glenn Little a master 2 transmitter and receiver strip (lo split) for \$75.00 at Glenn's Cost. It's for the 2.5 repeater. Mike WA4HVP to take over as controller programmer.

8 March 1993 - The Hamfest was a big one. We made good on it. Cable pulled into club room on Yorktown. There will be a 25 KW transformer so we will have power to run the heat and air. The YL's had there first breakfast club meeting the 27th of February at Shoney's. Doc/W4MUR said we have been asked to help with the Space Program at the Charleston County Schools. Field Day General will be Erwin KM4QE

8 March 1993 - YL Net named The Disi-Bells also YL'S are having a Breakfast club on Saturday morning. Club asked to help with space program at Charleston County Schools.

12 April 1993 - Erwin /KM4QE can't head up Field Day will be out of town. Frank /W4IZD presented Lin/N4LS with the 65th anniversary Award, for 65 years as a license Amateur Radio operator. Also the QCWA Award.

14 June 1993 - Charles Towne Landing will be the site for the Hamfest 19 February, 1994. Jenny and Dan CoChair. It was reported that hams would not be taking part in the Space Program. John K4CSB will be Field Day General.

12 July 1993 - Club to help with Scottish Games 18 September. The Club has started holding a Raffle at each monthly meeting. Space Program (Can Ddo project) Shuttle went up and was linked for 3 days. The students were able to talk with the astronauts. CARS received a certificate of appreciation. We did well on Field Day made lots of contacts. (1314 points)

12 July 1993 - John & Dawn doing newsletter. Gary & Darlene can't any more due to school. Newsletter CARS carriers.

1993 - 1994

President	Bryce Myers	K4LXF
Vice President	Glenn Little	WB4UIV
Secretary	Sheila Frank	KC4UDD
Treasurer	Ann Hatcher	WB4PJE

9 August 1993 - The 145.250 repeater is now up at 400 ft. on the SCE&G tower near Knightsville.

9 November 1993 - Power connected to club room. John K4CSB made motion that the club purchase a Cat 1000 repeater controller for the 145.250 repeater (carried) also motion to install phone line on 145.250 site for phone patch (carried). Funds to be transferred from the Hamfest Committee funds. Club taking orders for jackets and

shirts with club logo on them. Committee formed to make inquiries about the BOC Yacht Race from Charleston and back to Charleston. Christmas party to be a joint party with TARC.

11 December 1993 - Christmas party held with TARC Club at Charles Towne Landing. About 62 people present for both clubs.

10 January 1994 - 146.79 and 145.25 repeater have been linked for testing purposes. New controller and auto patch installed on 145.250 (Cat 1000) club to have a special event station on the Yorktown for the BOC Challenge. John /N4YVI and Dawn/KC4VOP leaving area. Need new CARS carrier editor.

14 February 1994 - CARS received letter from MUSC thanking us for the visit by Santa and Elves. Dan(W1AEQ) won the \$400 prize at the Hamfest. He donated \$100.00 to the club. Bryce(K4LXF) received a proposal to amend the By Laws.

14 March 1994 - John(K4CSB) Field Day General.

11 April 1994 - Dick Jones(KQ4TH) and Stan Ricketts(KN4QU) are conducting Amateur Classes at the Screven building in Summerville. By Law Amendments to be signed and voted on. Club voted to buy power supply from Glenn WB4UIV.

May 1994 - Hamfest to be at Charles Towne Landing 11 February, 1995. Code classes are being conducted at the Screven Building. Code is on 2 meters on the linked repeaters 146.79 and 145.25 after the nets. All proposed Amendments to the By Laws passed. Club voted to spend \$500.00 for the construction of new building at the 145.250 site.

13 June 1994 - John K4CSB reported that the air conditioner will be in and running by Friday in club room on Yorktown.

11 July 1994 - Mayor Riley - Proclamation received declaring Amateur Radio Week. John K4CSB recommended we give Ken Clark a certificate (plaque) for installing the air conditioner on the Yorktown for free. Also one to Vince Ott for donating the new air conditioner. We also voted to make Ken Clark and Vince Ott Honorary members.

1994 - 1995

President	Bryce Myers	K4LXF
Vice President	Glenn Little	WB4UIV
Secretary	Sheila Frank	KC4UDD
Treasurer	Ann Hatcher	WB4PJE

14 November 1994 - Club voted to have new banner made in time for the Hamfest. Over 4,000 points earned on Field Day listed in QST.

10 December 1994 - Christmas Party at Mary's/AB4BX and Phil's. Covered dish.

9 January 1995 - General maintenance class to start 1st week in March. Glenn(WB4UIV) instructor. Club voted to help with Cooper River Bridge Run. Voted to have special event station at conclusion of the BOC Challenge May 20th. Novice/tech class will start April 10th in Ed's backyard school house

13 March 1995 - The Hamfest has out grown the Dome at Charles Towne Landing. We had to turn away dealers this year. We are looking at Stall High School for 1996.

June 1995 - The shed for the 145.25 repeater has been moved to the site and painted. John(K4CSB) Field Day General.

July 1995 - It was decided that the winner of the 50-50 drawing have dues paid for ARRL. Technician classes start 25 July. Same slate of officers re-elected.

1995 - 1996

President: Bryce Myers K4LXF
Vice President: Glenn Little WB4UIV
Secretary: Sheila Frank KC4UDD
Treasurer: Linda Nesmith KE4MPY



Bryce and Jenny

October 1995 - Richard(KC4PMS) resigned as news editor, he is moving. Ed(KC4OOZ) will be editor and Stan(WD4ESO) assistant editor. Classes are going on in the backyard schoolhouse and also at MUSC. Nets on the linked club repeaters on Sunday and Thursday nights. Club voted to give Ed \$30.00 for expenses for each class we have in the back yard schoolhouse.

November 1995 - Club Christmas Party at Mary and Phil Favaro's house December. 16th. Antenna donated to club by the Navy Base will be used where needed and can be used in case of emergencies. Ed asked for help with the Santa net. Club voted to help with the Cooper River Bridge Run. Club jackets are being checked into.

December 1995 - The Christmas Party was great. We had a very nice time and lots of food. Covered dish.

January 1996 - We are taking orders for club jackets and shirts. Jackets burgundy with white logo and shirts white with burgundy logo. Vanity calls are now available form ARRL and W5YI Send forms 610V. Cost \$30.00 for 10 years.

11 March 1996 - Committee has been formed to get the work done in club room on the Yorktown. We will get contractors to do work and pay for out of Hamfest funds. Some of our club members are taking classes at the Red Cross. The club installed a 2 meter antenna on the Red Cross building. Mary(AE4BX) said there will be an ARES drill state wide on Sat. 23 March 1996. Sign up sheet was passed out for help with the Bridge Run, also for MS Walk. Motion was made to have a Hamfest in 1997 and to form a new committee with authority to use the Hamfest funds to put on. New committee will elect a new Hamfest Chairman. (carried).

8 April 1996 - Hamfest Committee had meeting of old and new committee. Jenny/WA4NGV was elected Chairman. Mike(WA4HVP) will be her assistant. There are 26 on the committee. Hamfest will be 8 February 1997 at Stall High School. Hamfest Committee Party to be 27 April 1996 at Bryce and Jenny's river house in Orangeburg. Amateur Radio classes are being held at Roper Hospital, Earl/NODTK instructor. The Hamfest books were audited with a profit of \$2,971.00.

13 May 1996 - Work is being done on our club room on the Yorktown. The radar repeater and the steering has been moved off the deck and things moved out to get ready for the contractors. We hope to have it finished by Field Day. The Hamfest Committee had their party up in Orangeburg. The committee stayed from Friday to Sunday and helpers came up on Saturday for a barbecue dinner. We had about 36 for dinner. John(K4CSB) is Field Day General. Glenn(WB4UIV) will hold classes at Ed's back yard schoolhouse. He will teach the many aspects of Field Day contest operations. We will cover the computer operation and logging program, what is required and what to say when on the air, and what to listen for.

10 June 1996 - Field Day to be held on the Yorktown 22-23 of June. John(K4CSB) is Field Day Captain. Class on how to operate the radios and computers for lodging will be Wednesday 12 June and Saturday 15 June. Glenn(WB4UIV) is the instructor. History Committee- Jenny(WA4NGV) gave report. Plans for the 25th Anniversary Celebration were discussed. There will be a book for each member, Charter members and Spouses of Silent Key charter members, on the Twenty Five year history of the society. The Celebration is on 20 July at the Omar Shine Temple at 44 East Battery. Time 7-11 PM, Dress: Dressy casual, Heavy Hor D'oeuvres will be served.

RSVP by 8 July. The committee presented the slate of officers for the up coming year, to be voted on at the July meeting. nominated was: President - Glenn Little (WB4UIV), Vice President - Roland (Doc) Carne (W4MUR), Treasurer - Linda NeSmith (KE4MPY) and Secretary - Sheila Frank (KC4UDD). There were no nominations from the floor. Nominations will be taken from the floor at the July meeting. John (K4CSB) gave a report on the club room on the Yorktown . The contractors are at work, it may not be completely finished by Field Day but most of the work will be done. There is a group that calls them self's Little Leo's plan to put up a number of satellites for a paging system. There is a list of frequencies including 2 meters and 440, they would like to have. The Club has agreed to send correspondence opposing this.

Charleston Amateur Radio Society Ham Fests

<u>Year</u>	<u>Chairman</u>	<u>Co-Chairman</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Site</u>
1972	Bud/WB4LTF		19 March	Johnson Hagood Stadium
1973	Ron/WB4URP		18 March	Exchange Club Fair Grounds
1974				
1975	Sparky/K4GQG		12 & 13 July	Charlestowne Landing (outside)
1976	Sparky/K4GQG		11 July	Charlestowne Landing (outside)
1977	Sparky/K4GQG			Gaillard Auditorium
1978	Sparky/K4GQG			Gaillard Auditorium
1979			28 & 29 July	Gaillard Auditorium
1980	Mike/NC4Y	Bryce/K4LXF	12 & 13 July	Omar Shrine Temple
1981	Mike/NC4Y	Jenny/WA4NGV	18 & 19 July	Omar Shrine Temple
1982	Jenny/WA4NGV		24 & 25 July	Omar Shrine Temple
1983	Jenny/WA4NGV		23 & 24 July	Omar Shrine Temple
1984	Jenny/WA4NGV		14 & 15 July	Omar Shrine Temple
1985	Jenny/WA4NGV		13 & 14 July	Omar Shrine Temple
1986	Millie		6 April	Elks Recreation Site
1987	Jenny/WA4NGV		5 April	Elks Recreation Site
1988	Jenny/WA4NGV		10 April	Elks Recreation Site
1989	Jenny/WA4NGV		25 February	National Guard Armory
1990	Jenny/WA4NGV		24 February	National Guard Armory
1991	Jenny/WA4NGV		23 February	National Guard Armory
1992	Jenny/WA4NGV	Dan/KM4GT	22 February	National Guard Armory
1993	Jenny/WA4NGV	Dan/KM4GT	19 February	Charlestowne Landing (dome)
1994	Jenny/WA4NGV		5 February	Charlestowne Landing (dome)
1995	Jenny/WA4NGV		20 February	Charlestowne Landing (dome)
1996	Jenny/WA4NGV	Mike/WA4HVP	9 February	Stall High School
1997	Jenny/WA4NGV	Mike/WA4HVP	8 February	Stall High School

Did You Know?

We have our 146.79 repeater on the 010 level and our club room is in the Auxiliary Con space aboard the Yorktown. By the time this book is finished most of the work in the club room will be complete. A full HF and 2 meter radio station will be in operation. We have our own generator so we have emergency back up power. Plans are in the making to have a "see through" area so tourists can see into the club room.

Our Field Days are always on the Yorktown, also special event stations. The Club call is WA4USN and every one wants to make contact with our station.

We have a Hamfest every year. We have out grown a number of sites and had to move to larger ones. The money we make from hamfests is used to buy and upkeep the Club's repeaters, equipment, and the Club Room on the Yorktown.

The club teaches classes on Ham Radio, and as a result there are many new Hams in the area. At present, code classes are being held in Ed's (KC4OOZ) backyard school house. We teach theory and code, Lin Sikes (N4LS) teaches code after the Thursday and Sunday night nets. The nets are on our linked repeater system.

In the early days we only had one repeater on 34-94. We all had handy-talkies and were a close knit group. We had many cook outs and covered dish picnics. Bar-b-qing pigs was usually a all night affair. We would sit around the fire singing and talking - it was always a good party. A group called the Eagles was formed within the CARS club. To qualify to become an eagle you had to party all night with Eagle No. 1. There were 11 eagles, (1)Bryce K4LXF, (2)Bob WB4EJ, (3)Herb WA4ICB, (4)Ron WB4URP, (5)Cliff K4OKD, (6)Bob W4USW, (7)John WB4LET, (8)Larry KN4IM (WB4THE), (9)Ray WA4IWV, (10)John WA4WOM, and (11)Bob W4YOH.

Herb WA4ICB had a Mon-Goose (fake one) with which he tricked and scared lots of people, at Hamfest and hostility rooms. When he got Jenny (WA4NGV) she told him she would get him back. The Phantom (Jenny WA4NGV) did many, many things to Herb, from short-sheeting him on a cruise (the hams took), to filling his bottle of Lord Calverts and replacing it with a bottle of water with coffee in it to make it look the same. You should have seen the look on Herb's face when he found the red bikini panties hanging on his camper at the Shelby Hamfest. The list goes on and on. We used to caravan to hamfests, and at times there were 6 or more campers in the caravan. The looks on the faces of non-hams when they got passed by 6 hams in a synchronized caravan made us all laugh!

The Committee has tried to be as accurate as possible in compiling the History, while also hoping to make it enjoyable. We have had so much fun getting the History together, it has stirred so many fond memories. There were some sad ones, but most of them were happy and wonderful memories.

Jenny Myers, WA4NGV
Celebration Chairperson